

## News Release

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## Scaffolding to be Placed around Capitol Columns for Waterproofing Project

~ Waterproofing of columns expected to take two months, weather dependent ~

**RICHMOND, Va.** – The Department of General Services (DGS) today announced the erection of scaffolding on the columns of the Capitol's south portico as part of the ongoing Capitol waterproofing project. The scaffolding will begin going up this week. The waterproofing of the columns is expected to take approximately eight weeks, depending on the weather.

Workers first will identify and fill any cracks on the exterior of the columns, which could lead to water penetration. After the cracks have been filled, they will apply a weather-resistant protective coating. This multi-step process is weather and temperature dependent.

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